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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.	Vertis-3/Con(P10142US00)
First Inventor	Jan W. HUISMAN
Title	METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING PRODUCTS WITH NATURAL POLYMERS, AND SUCH PRODUCTS
Express Mail Label No.	EL913826430US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. Specification [Total Pages 28 (2-sided)*]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (*if filed*)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
 - *copy of International Appl. WO 00/39214
4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 9]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets 3]
 - a. Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
 - i. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)
 - a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. Paper
 - c. Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of (when there is an assignee) Attorney
11. English Translation Document (*if applicable*)
12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations (18)
13. Preliminary Amendment
14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (*Should be specifically itemized*)
15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (*if foreign priority is claimed*)
16. Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. Other: Check (\$2,260) and Petition for Extension of Time in SN:09/869,533 (in dupl.)

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 09/869,533

Prior application information: Examiner Jill Lynne Heitbrink Art Unit: 1732
For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

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Signature	<i>Peter L. Michaelson</i>		
	Date	March 25, 2004	

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.53(b). The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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IN THE UNITED STATES
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**PATENT APPLICATION**Attorney Docket No.: **Vertis-3/Con(P10142US00)**

Prior Application -

Examiner: **Jill Lynne Heitbrink**
Group Art Unit: 1732
Confirmation No.: 4385**Mail Stop Patent Application**
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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FEE AND APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

Enclosed herewith for filing is a continuation application under the provisions of 37 CFR section 1.53(b) of the prior patent application Serial No. 09/869,533 filed September 11, 2001 and entitled:

METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING PRODUCTS WITH NATURAL POLYMERS, AND SUCH PRODUCTS

THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED PATENT APPLICATION HAS NOT ISSUED AND NO ABANDONMENT HAS OCCURRED AND THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED PRIOR APPLICATION IS PENDING

XX 1. A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
XX 2. The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY AMENDMENT OF ITEM 1 OR 2 ABOVE

	<u>No. Filed</u>	<u>Less</u>	<u>Rate/Claim</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Total Claims	50	-20	30 x \$ 18.00	\$ 540.00
Independent Claims	3	-3	0 x \$ 86.00	\$ 00.00
Minimum Filing Fee				\$ 770.00
Multiple Dependency Fee (if applicable - \$ 290.00)				\$ 00.00

50% Reduction for Small Entity (Independent Inventor, Non-profit Corporation, or Small Business Concern)	\$- <u>00.00</u>
TOTAL FILING FEE	\$ 1,310.00
EXENSION OF TIME FEE	\$+ 950.00
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED	\$ 2,260.00

XX 3. Our check in the amount of the total filing fee is enclosed herewith. In the event this check is unacceptable, insufficient or is omitted, please charge the additional fee or entire cost, as appropriate, to our Deposit Account number 13-3083. To facilitate that charge, a duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed herewith.

XX 4. Amend the specification by inserting after the title and before the first line the following paragraph:

--This application is a continuation of co-pending patent application serial number 09/869,533 filed September 11, 2001 and entitled "Method for Manufacturing Products with Natural Polymers, and Such Products". --.

XX 5. Priority of foreign application serial number 1010915, filed on December 29, 1998 in the Netherlands and serial number 1010916, filed December 29, 1998 in the Netherlands is claimed under 35 USC section 119. The certified copies of the priority documents have been filed in prior application serial number 09/869,533.

XX 6. Formal drawings are enclosed as part of the application. These drawings are a true copy of those filed in applicant's prior application.

XX 7. The prior application is assigned of record to:
Vertis B.V. Assignment recorded September 11, 2001
at Reel 012233 Frame 0706.

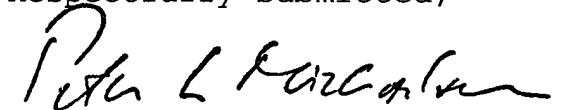
XX 8. The power of attorney and correspondence address in the prior application is to: Customer No. 007265.

Direct all telephone calls to: 732-530-6671.

XX 9. A true copy of the prior application (with amended sheets inserted per international preliminary examination), including the Declaration and Power forms filed therein, is enclosed. The undersigned states that the enclosed application papers comprise a true copy of the prior application and that none of the amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced any new matter therein.

XX 10. Also enclosed: Utility Patent Application Transmittal, Petition for Extension of Time (in dupl.), Application Data Sheet, Disclosure Statement, form PTO/SB/08A and eighteen (18) references filed in SN 09/869,533.

Respectfully submitted,



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S I R:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

Applicant hereby respectfully petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time to respond to the Office Action (Paper No. 9) dated **September 25, 2003** for a period of three (3) months from **December 25, 2003** to and including **March 25, 2004**.

A continuation application is being filed concurrently herewith and our check payable to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks in the amount of \$ 2,260.00 (\$950.00 to cover the cost of the extension and \$1,310.00 to cover the continuation filing fee and additional claims).

In the event this check is unacceptable, insufficient or is omitted, kindly charge the additional or entire cost, as appropriate, of this extension to my deposit account number 13-3083. To facilitate that charge, a duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed herewith.

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